## MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD BEFORE THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA JULY 20, 2005

A public hearing was called to order at 6:50 p.m. on Wednesday, July 20, 2005 in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 610 Main Street, Jasper, Indiana.

## Roll Call.

Mayor William J. Schmitt	Present
Councilmembers	
John Schroeder	Present
Bradley Seger	Present
Thomas Schmidt	Absent
Ambrose 'Butch' Schitter	Present
Renee Kabrick	Absent
Randall Buchta	Present
Raymond Howard	Present
City Attorney Sandra Hemmerlein	Present
Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm	Present

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the hearing, a majority of the members of the legislative body must be in attendance. Five of the seven members were in attendance which constitutes a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the hearing.

Mayor Schmitt then invited those present to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

The purpose of the hearing was to receive public comments concerning the transfer of control and management of Enlow Cemetery to the Board of Public Works and Safety and regarding a change to the fee schedule for the purchase of a plot.

Notice appeared in the Herald on June 25 and July 2, 2005. Notice was also posted at city hall.

Mayor Schmitt then asked for public comment and if there were any remonstrators present.

City Attorney Sandra Hemmerlein stated that Enlow Cemetery has been operating basically without an ordinance regarding policies and fees. In addition, Hemmerlein explained that State Statute permits municipal legislative bodies to transfer control and power to a designated board such as the Board of Public Works and Safety and that the Board of Public Works and Safety had placed a moratorium on sale of plots until such an ordinance is adopted. Hemmerlein stated that plot fees would be raised from \$100 to \$460 to be more in line with other area cemetery plot fees. She also noted that the cemetery was sometimes referred to as Jasper City Cemetery. During further comments, Mayor Schmitt gave a brief history on the Enlow Cemetery.

There were no other comments and no remonstrators present.

On **motion** made by Councilmember Bradley Seger, seconded by Councilmember Ambrose Schitter and agreed 5-0, the public hearing was closed at 6:58 p.m.

William J. Schmitt, Mayor Presiding Officer

Attest:

Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer
Cynthia Kluemper, Recording Secretary